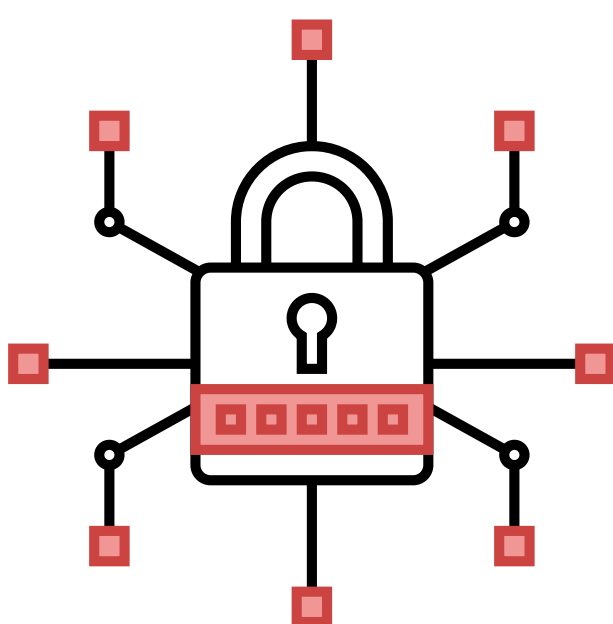




Security Risks Associated With Poor Access Management

Poor access management increases security risks and threatens organizational integrity.



- **Unauthorized Access:** Users may gain access to systems or data they are not authorized to see, leading to potential data breaches.
- **Privilege Escalation:** Insufficiently managed permissions can allow users to gain higher-level access than intended, potentially leading to administrative control.
- **Data Breaches:** Poor access controls can result in sensitive data being exposed or leaked to unauthorized parties.
- **Insider Threats:** Employees with excessive or outdated access rights might misuse their privileges maliciously or unintentionally.
- **Increased Attack Surface:** Improperly managed access rights can expand the attack surface, giving attackers more opportunities to exploit vulnerabilities.
- **Compliance Violations:** Failing to manage access according to regulatory requirements can result in non-compliance and legal penalties.
- **Operational Disruption:** Mismanagement of access rights can lead to unauthorized changes or deletions of critical data, disrupting business operations.
- **Lack of Accountability:** Poorly managed access controls can obscure who is responsible for actions taken within the system, complicating audit and investigation processes.
- **Credential Theft:** Ineffective management can increase the risk of credential theft through phishing or other attacks.
- **Poor Segregation of Duties:** Without proper access controls, users may perform conflicting tasks, leading to potential fraud or errors.

Addressing these risks involves implementing strong access management practices, including the principle of least privilege, regular reviews of access rights, and robust authentication mechanisms.

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